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AFFAIRS.**

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of or belligerent attitude. Mr. Bright, Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. Gladstone have made some powerful but very injudicious speeches, so injudicious on the part of Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Bright that the moderate Liberals, as well as the supporters of the Government, have been greatly incensed by them. But, though many of the Liberal party condemn the Government, Mr. Gladstone's attacks, they say, however as a party, not unlikely to make a good stand against the Government, for having failed to inform Parliament of its intention to send for a contingent of Indian troops. Some important and very serious constitutional issues are bound up in that question, and, though the action of the Government in employing Indian troops meets with popular approval, the bringing of those troops into Europe without the knowledge of Parliament, is regarded as a good standpoint for an attack upon the Government. It is remembered that the British Parliament has never before sent an army, and this recent proceeding has suggested a danger to the Radicals—theoretic, of course—that some day an Indian army may be sent for to overawe the United Kingdom.

The time draws nigh when something should be heard about the probable success of your Governor, Sir Hercules Robinson. Up to the present moment not only has the Colonial Office made no selection, but I believe it has not even considered the subject. Our new Colonial Minister has had to familiarise himself with the antecedents, and to inform himself as much as possible of the capabilities of the men best suited to the position, and to other posts which will become vacant about the same time as the Governorship of New South Wales. This is naturally a slow process, especially with the South African war on hand, and it is likely that some weeks will yet elapse before anything can be said upon the subject.

A remark recently made by the Prince of Wales about his desire to visit the Australian colonies, has revived a hope among some people that his Royal Highness may yet be able to visit your part of the Empire. This is no new wish on the part of the Prince of Wales, for, as you may remember, there was some talk of his going to the spot when the Royal Highness returned from India. At the time the Prince thus spoke he was, I believe, unaware of your intention to hold an international exhibition in New South Wales, and that event may suggest itself to some people as a fitting occasion to carry out his Royal Highness's desire. At any rate, it may help to give more definiteness to the Prince's wishes, for so far his Royal Highness has not committed himself to anything more than a desire to see your colonies. A hope prevails in certain quarters that if such a visit should be made, the occasion of it may be made the occasion for giving effect to the Prince's wishes. War with Russia, should it unhappily break out, will be a preventive obstacle, for the Prince would not leave England save in settled times of peace. He is such a strong anti-Russian that the Czar's cruisers would gladly catch him if they could. But apart from any real or supposed dangers of that kind, there would be insuperable objections to the heir to the throne leaving England at a time of national anxiety; and I take it, also, that an Anglo-Russian is to be a bad omen for the success of your proposed Exhibition. The Government here are energetically preparing to give the project all their assistance. There, however, no sign of any disposition to appoint an English commission to collect articles for exhibition, but the scheme will receive all the encouragement that is possible through the consuls, and the fullest possible information will be given by the Colonial Office, and by the agents of the Foreign Office, to intending exhibitors.

I hear on every hand of the excellent show which the colonists have made at the Paris exhibition. The French colonial, and the French and allied collections are among the very best features of the Champs de Mars. I should not be surprised if some of the colonial Commissioners go home with a few French ribbons on their breasts—a genuine reward for real service in some cases, but in others they may be safely taken as an illustration of successful pertinacity.

In some recent letters I referred to the part which Her Majesty's Government was likely to adopt in order to obtain a remission of the wine duties, and the effect which their efforts might have upon the tariff of Australian wines. Though nothing has been done, I have reason for saying that the subject has not slept. There is no doubt, but that the Government are taking this question in hand, but they cannot do so at present. Meanwhile the good effect produced in the European market by the Australian wines at the Paris Exhibition will indirectly give this movement some impetus.

A few weeks ago the Colonial Minister, in answer to a deputation, stated that when he had received the whole of the papers and correspondence relating to the Victorian crisis, he would then be able to express an opinion on the subject. In consequence of this announcement, we have awaited the issue of an important statement of the views of the Colonial Office, but the constitutional aspects of the struggle which has been taking place in Melbourne. The subject has long since engaged the attention of the law officers of the Crown, but as a matter of fact they had been instructed to take it in hand too soon. Even now, all the necessary documents have not arrived, and the law officers have therefore suspended their action till the whole case can be perfectly laid before them.

In view of the not improvable circumstances of a war, there has been a good deal of interest, not unmixd with anxiety, as to the nature and extent of the defences which the colonies have undertaken for their protection. The present cruiser war has directed public solicitude to our possessions in the Pacific and the South Atlantic—first, because the Russians really seem to be in earnest in their desire to inflict a blow upon us in that quarter of the globe; and, next, because the Pacific and the South Atlantic are just those parts where England is the least prepared for an enemy. So far, the Russians do not seem to have met with any success in providing themselves with cruisers; but if they can obtain really fast ships for the purpose, and strike quickly, it will be possible for them to do us some harm. The Government are very anxious upon this matter, but as Russia signed the Declaration of Paris, the rules of diplomatic courtesy will bind them to regard the intentions of Russia to be honest, till they are proved to be guilty. They cannot, on the single fact that Russia has sent 500 sailors to the United States,

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**THE AUSTRALIAN TEAM.**

V.  
**MIDDLESEX.**

(BY CABLE.)

[FROM OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, JUNE 21.

In the first innings of the Australians six wickets were disposed of for 45 runs, and the rest brought up the total to 165. In the first innings of the Middlesex team three players made 107 runs, and the others collapsed. The bowling of the Australians was very effective, particularly Garrett's.

The Australians completed their second innings for 240 runs.

Charles Bannerman was bowled by Henderson after scoring 23, and Horan was disposed of for 2. D. Gregory obtained 42, Garrett 84, and Spofforth 66, all being caught off Henderson. A. Bannerman was caught off Hadow for 3. Murdoch was bowled by Scott for 15. Bailey made 82, but Boyle and Allan failed to score. They were all bowled by Robertson. Blackham scored 21.

In the second innings of Middlesex six wickets have fallen for 78 runs. A. Webb and Hadow did not score, and Studd made only 7. They were bowled by Allan. Walker was bowled by Boyle for 23, and the Hon. A. Lyttelton scored only 5. Scott was caught off Garrett for a similar figure. H. B. Webb, with 5, and the Hon. E. Lyttelton, 37, are not out.

LONDON, JUNE 22.

The Middlesex team completed their second innings for 186, of which the Hon. E. Lyttelton, not out yet yesterday, scored 115, and was their captain. Gregory, off Allan, H. B. Webb, completed his innings for 17, and Robertson scored 4, both being bowled by Allan. Henderson was bowled by Garrett for 7, and Salmon made only 5. The Australian team won the match by 98 runs. Their bowling was very effective, particularly that of Allan, to-day. Blackham's wicket-keeping was very good. The weather was hot, and the wickets fast. The attendance was enormous. The following are the complete scores in the second innings:—

AUSTRALIANS.		
C. Bannerman	..	23
Horan	..	2
D. Gregory	..	42
Garrett	..	84
Spofforth	..	66
Charles Bannerman	..	13
Murdoch	..	15
Bailey	..	82
Boyle	..	0
Allan	..	0
Blackham	..	21
Studd	..	14
Total	..	240
Total 1st innings	..	165
		405

**MIDDLESEX.**

A. J. Webb	..	0
W. H. Hadow	..	0
Studd	..	7
J. D. Walker	..	23
Scott	..	37
Hon. A. Lyttelton	..	115
H. B. Webb	..	17
Hon. E. Lyttelton	..	118
Robertson	..	4
Henderson	..	7
Salmon	..	5
Studd	..	3
Total	..	186
Total 1st innings	..	122
		307

**COURING.**

It is said which as yet is but in its infancy in New South Wales bids fair to become a popular one. There can be little doubt that it is an exceedingly healthy method of removing from the people their ideas which are so difficult to see how it is more cruel than other similar methods of enjoyment, such as fishing, shooting, &c. Rabbit couring, however, is even more cruel than hare coursing, for in the latter case the course is longer, and runs has more chance of escape than the timid and somewhat silly rabbit. The couriers are called forth at the first findings which have been commenced at the Albert Ground, on Saturday afternoon, by the Young Australian Coursing Club. Last night one of these meetings was held, and the couriers being after rabbit, which appeared to be very tame; but it is intended eventually to utilize the couriers for hare coursing, and have very healthy runs turned out for the purpose. Mr. R. Bell acted as slipper and Mr. Thurston as judge. The latter gentleman cannot be so much to have given assistance. The office amongst so many owners of dogs is so certain and difficult one, but there are one or two of Mr. Thurston's decisions during the afternoon which were very much questioned. The attendance outside the customary assemblage of betting men and members of the club was large, but was not large, the afternoon being somewhat odd, though beautiful.

The first couring was the continuation of the running for the All-comers Stakes commenced on the previous Saturday. The first round was won by Edwin running out Coburn in the second time Ada ran out Jack Spring, Light of Morning ran out Black, and Little Dick ran out Evelyn. In the third round Light of Morning and Little Dick ran a bye, and then in the final heat ran out Ada, and then won the stakes.

The Royal Oak Stakes, of twenty-four dogs, many of whom were new, was won by Maid running out Coburn. Revere ran out Pion, Skittles ran out Sir Joseph, Miss Tansy ran out Midnight, Mountain Maid ran out Prince Charlie, Lady Clifton ran out Windy Maid, and George ran out Shadow, and Little Dick ran out Jack Spring.

In the second the Royal ran out Skittles, Miss Tansy ran out Revere, and then in the third the Royal ran out Little Dick and Miss George. In the fourth the Royal ran out Tansy, and Little Dick ran out Royal, and Little Dick ran out Mountain Maid, Miss Tansy then, in the final heat, beat Little Dick, thus winning the stakes.

An attempted All Comers' Stakes of six dogs were then run for, and were won by Miss Tansy, who beat Mountain Maid, and Jack Spring.

**TERMINATING THE LIFE OF A JUDGE AND JURY.**  
It came from Goulburn, by the Southern Express, on Saturday, that on Friday afternoon when the jury empanelled in Abraham Watson's case had retired to consider their verdict, Mr. District Court Judge MacFarlane, who presided at the trial, had been referred to two letters which he had received on Thursday through the Goulburn post-office as he entered the court-house. Both letters were apparently in the handwriting of a female, and seemed to have been written by the same hand, though purporting to come from different persons. One letter professed to be written by a firm friend of Watson's, and the writer stated him to be innocent of the charge, and the other, a deliberate and specific threats against His Honor's life, also against that of any solicitor or other person connected with the case, who might be engaged in the case, and gentleman who had been the master in the letter intimated that his Honor's life in particular could be easily taken. The second letter referred to the master and described the writer of the first letter as a person who had been the master in the case, and intimated that the purpose might be to intimidate him and the jury and to prevent them from exercising their duty, or to prejudice them against the prisoner. In any event it was an unwarrantable and also a very dangerous interference with the free course of justice. His Honor had called to make a statement to the hands of the police, who would endeavour to take such steps as would prevent a recurrence of such a right villainy. Watson was about to make a statement to the Bench, evidently to disclaim any knowledge of the master and to protest against it, and Mr. Heydon also tried to deny to his Honor, who, however, said he thought it was desirable that he should be examined.

**LATEST INTELLIGENCE.**

[BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.]

**OUR SPECIAL TELEGRAM.**

[FROM OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.]

**THE CONGRESS.**

LONDON, *June 21.*  
The delays in Congress are ascribed to the firmness of the Earl of Beaconsfield.

**POSTAL CONVENTION WITH VICTORIA.**

LONDON, *June 21.*  
A Postal Convention upon the same terms that with Queensland has been concluded between America and Victoria.

**SHIPPING.**

LONDON, *June 21.*  
*Strath*—Somersetshire, for Melbourne.

[REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.]

**THE DISTURBANCES AT THE CAPE.**

LONDON, *June 20.*  
The British Government is sending relief reinforcements to the Cape.

**ENGLAND AND AUSTRIA AT THE CONGRESS.**

BERLIN, *June 20.*  
It is semi-officially stated that England and Austria have assumed concurrent attitudes at the Congress.

**THE CONGRESS AND BULGARIA.**

BERLIN, *June 20.*  
An *entente cordiale* regarding Bulgaria has not yet been attained.

**THE CANADIAN FISHERY AWARD.**

WASHINGTON, *June 20.*  
Both Houses of Congress have voted the Canadian fishery award.

**VOTE FOR EDUCATION.**

LONDON, *June 22.*  
The Government have introduced a bill to the House of Lords to apply the sum of £1 million from the surplus funds of the Chamber Commission to the promotion of middle class education.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

**NEWCASTLE.**

SATURDAY.  
The Newcastle Co-operative Steam Tug Company's steamers were formally handed over this morning. Messrs. J. and A. Brown, at the wharf, in the presence of a large crowd of people; and Messrs. Brown afterwards invited several gentlemen on board the *Durham* tug, which cruised round the harbour and outside the heads.

**QUEENSLAND.**

BRISBANE, SATURDAY.  
The Governor has returned to town.  
The Gas Company has resolved to increase capital to £40,000.  
The Bar entertained the Chief Justice at dinner to-night.  
Remont (s.), for Sydney.

SUNDAY.  
There is a change in the weather. It rained last night and is still threatening.  
Aasmyr—Balaithra (s.), from Sydney.

**VICTORIA.**

MILBOURNE, SATURDAY.  
The *British Frigate* s. Melbourne, which arrived a verdict was given for the plaintiff, with 2 damages and costs.  
Communication by the Tasmanian cable has been restored.  
A football match took place this afternoon on Melbourne Ground, between the Carlton and North Clubs. It was well contested, and there was a large attendance. The former scored two goals at the latter one.  
A rash of some promise has occurred at Jordan's district, and a number of claims have been taken up.  
The weather is very cold and clear. The fog last night was the densest for the last five years, and traffic was quite suspended.

QUEENSLAND, SATURDAY.  
ARRIVED—Catherine s., barque, Rachel Cohen schooner, from Newcastle.  
SAILED—Lady Darling (s.), for Newcastle.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**

ADELAIDE, SATURDAY.  
The Blind, Deaf, and Dumb Institution at Brighton was opened on Saturday by His Excellency Governor Way, at the request of Mr. Townsend, M.P., the originator of the institution. The building is an imposing one and admirably situated.

[REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.]

**VICTORIA.**

MILBOURNE, SATURDAY.  
A petition in favour of the resolution of the National Agricultural Society for continuing the prohibition on stock importation is being signed stockbrokers representing 3,000,000 sheep and 100,000 head of cattle. The petition was only prepared during the last two days.  
The evidence given in the Lord Ard Inquiry Papers will be forwarded to the Board of Trade.  
Mining operations at Slieve Donard have, owing to recent discoveries of rich stone at the Newington and Prince Patrick mines.  
The Murray at Echuca is falling rapidly. It is intended to proceed forthwith with the construction of the Queenscliff-Geelong Railway.  
116 births and 99 deaths were registered in Melbourne and suburbs during the past week.  
The Elmblads gave a fourth concert at the City Hall to-night.

**THE MURDER OF MR. COLE.**—The Vol. correspondent of the *Standard* writes, under date of May 7.—"With the departure last night of Mr. Cole from the Consul-General for Constantinople, the inquiry into Mr. Cole's death has come to some degree more unsatisfactory it is impossible to conceive. With an obstinacy nothing could overcome, the Chairman had testimony to give reversed, the moment to appear before the Commission so long as any Turkish official sat on it; but they offered to con before the British Commission alone. As this grudge was not possible they were not examined. The Turkish authorities, in not voluntarily making some concession on this point by which these people evidence could be taken, have, I think, committed grave error. Mr. Cole would without difficulty lay his hands on all concerned in this unfortunate affair. Unhappily they have not seen fit to do so, and no evidence has been given which bears out their first statement. It proved beyond dispute that the reports of his having taken part in the fighting and the construction works arose from a resemblance he bore to a Swab named Sauer, who was in the insurgent ranks. I shall treat the question, now that the inquiry is ended more fully in a letter. I will obtain from further comments."

The *St. Petersburg* papers publish a telegram from Tiflis, announcing the close of the trial of Prince Davidoff, charged with having instigated some Christians to smother a lady who he thought had proved unfaithful to him. The Prince had been deprived all his rights, and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment in the mines of Siberia. The inquiry was effected the murder, he had been sentenced to ten years' penal servitude.

It is reported that H.M.S. *Shah* will have to return











The arrangements for witnessing the opening ceremony by the thousands of guests in the galleries of the Rocaod Palace were far from perfect, but there was rather owing to limited space and to the fact that the Government had no means of care of foreigners. Every available space in the Palace, as well as the lawns in front, and outlying buildings, was densely crowded notwithstanding the fact that admission was solely by invitation. The Government, however, had no means of care of foreigners. Every available space in the Palace, as well as the lawns in front, and outlying buildings, was densely crowded notwithstanding the fact that admission was solely by invitation. The Government, however, had no means of care of foreigners. Every available space in the Palace, as well as the lawns in front, and outlying buildings, was densely crowded notwithstanding the fact that admission was solely by invitation. The Government, however, had no means of care of foreigners.

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**T H E L A N**

British and Foreign Glossaries on Agriculture  
Pastoral News of New South Wales and the Colonies  
Agricultural Societies, Metropolitan and Provincial  
**HORTICULTURAL GLOSSARY** and **FOREIGN**  
**THE SYDNEY MAIL**  
Hunter-street, Sydney.  
To be had of all Booksellers.  
Subscription: 6s 6d per quarter.

**AUCTION SALES.**

THORNS, Vetches, and Harrows  
**GEORGE KISS** will sell the above at the  
residence of Mr. H. D. Day, at 11 o'clock, on Monday  
next, at 12 o'clock, all lots specially advertised  
will be sold at the Dinner daily, and on Thursdays  
any afternoon.

First-class Chestnut Cob  
Family Saddle and Harness.

**GEORGE KISS** has received instructions to  
sell, at the Mart, THURSDAY, at 12 o'clock  
A first-class chestnut cob, broken to saddle, single  
double harness, and a good pair  
Also a family saddle and set of harness.

**W** H. A. from B. Richards, Esq., to sell, at Homebush Yards, 24th June, at 11 o'clock,  
160 head of prime bullocks.  
**FAT CATTLE.**

**S**ULLIVAN and SIMPSON have received instructions from Messrs. Fairfax and Ward to sell by auction at Homebush Yards, THIS DAY, the 24th inst., at 11 o'clock,  
160 head of really prime and weighty fat bullocks  
also, from their Banksia station.

**S**ULLIVAN and SIMPSON have received instructions from Messrs. G. & P. Smith to sell by auction at the Homebush Yards, THIS DAY, the 24th inst., at 11 o'clock,  
343 head of really prime and weighty fat bullocks  
also, from their Broomeville station.

**FAT SHEEP. FAT SHEEP.**

**WILLIAM INGLE** has received instructions from M. W. Pascoe, Esq., to sell by auction, at Homebush Yards, THIS DAY, June 24, at 11 o'clock,  
900 cwt. of good quality wool.

**GRIFFITHS and WEAVER** have received instructions from the Hon. Charles Campbell to sell by auction, at Homebush, THIS DAY, Monday, 24th July, at 11 o'clock,  
800 cwt. of good quality wool.

tion, at their Rooms, 107, 1st Ave.  
MORROW, Tuesday, 21st inst., at 11 o'clock.  
A large and well selected assortment of the above  
goods, amongst which will be many new.  
Ladies' gloves, kid leather and satin, patent lace, &c.  
Ditto leather boots, patent calf wear, &c., men and  
children.  
Ditto ditto high-top boreskin and exotique  
Ditto kid exotique and other styles  
Ditto kid leather and oxford shoes, patent lace  
Ditto lace patent calf wear, various makes  
Ditto lace patent calf wear, various makes  
Ditto leather, wings, T. F. H.  
Ditto ditto, M. H., new styles  
Maiden and girl boots, in most of the above makes  
Children's leather exotique and button boots  
Ditto leather, well made, a pair 100 cents  
Ditto patent calf leather and ordinary  
Ditto patent calf exotiques, fancy styles  
Men's patent calf, hand wear  
Ditto ditto ditto ditto  
Ditto morocco and black roan slippers, ditto  
14174-16 dozen superior leather boots  
14250-10 ditto red roan ditto  
7-10 ditto assorted colored roan  
13961-10 ditto Terry exotique  
13982-10 ditto with and wool ditto ditto  
TOWNS at 414.







